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Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD PROVIDING INTEROPERABILITY
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Information Disclosure Statement

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants hereby bring to the attention of the United States Patent and Trademark Office the following documents of which Applicants have been made aware. The documents are listed on the attached PTO Form 1449. Copies of the documents are enclosed.

Applicants submit that this Information Disclosure Statement is submitted prior to receipt of the first Office Action.

It is requested that the references be considered by the Examiner and be made of record as part of the available prior art under 37 C.F.R. § 1.104. It is believed that no fee is required. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-2165.

Respectfully submitted,



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EXAMINER INITIAL	REF	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	
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OTHER DOCUMENTS <i>(Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)</i>							
		Minsky, N. et al., "Law-Governed Interaction: A Coordination and Control Mechanism for Heterogeneous Distributed Systems," ACM Transactions on Software Engineering and Methodology, October 2000, pp. 1-31.					
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